Statement

Number of Theft/Pilferage cases in various states

s. No.	Name of the State	No. of cases
1.	Uttar Pradesh	5
2.	Punjab	2
3.	Rajasthan	13
4.	Maharashtra	25
5.	Madhya Pradesh	2
6.	Karnataka	1
7.	Kerala	1
8.	Tamil Nadu	1
9.	Andhra Pradesh	2
10.	Assam	1
11.	Bihar	1
12.	Orissa	2
13.	West Bengal	50

Representation from All India Beedi Cigarand Tobacco Workers Federation

2109. SHRI V. RAJAN CHELLAPPA: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether any representation from the All India Beedi Cigar and Tobacco Workers Federation/ Ahmednagar (Maharashtra) has been received;

(b) if so, the details of the main demands raised by them;

(c) whether Government have permitted the multi national cigarette companies to manufacture macro-cigarettes;

(d) if so, whether Government are aware that these steps have thrown lacs of beedi workers mostly women out of employment and forced their families to starve; and

(e) if so, the steps Government contemplate to save the beedi industry of the country?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR (SHRI G. VENKAT SWAMY): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The main demands raised therein are for imposing a ban on production and sale of mini-cigarettes, withdrawl of concessions given to Cigarette Industry, for withdrawing excise exemption to Beedi manufacturers producing upto 20 lakhs beedies annually, uniform minimum wage of Rs. 50 and D.A. 10 paisa per point, old age pension and insurance scheme, strict implementation of all labour laws to beedi industry and to ensure supply of sufficient tendu leaves and tobacco to workers and to lower down its prices.

(c) to (e)The Government have received representations from the manufacturers of beedies and the Associations of beedi workers stating that the present rate pf specific excise duty on non-filter cigarettes of length not exeeding 60 mm is affecting the beedi industry and workers. Since the incidence of excise duty on cigarettes is substantially higher than on beedies, it is unlikely that the system of central excise duty levied on cigarettes based on the length has adverse effect on the beedi industry and workers.

राजीव गांधी हत्याकांड की जांच से संबंधित खोई हुई फाइल के संबंध में जांच

2110. **श्री जनेश्वर मिश्र** : क्या वाणिज्य मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगें कि:

(क) क्या सरकार को इस बात की जानकारी हैं कि राजीव गांधी हत्याकांड के सुरक्षा पहलुओं की जांच करने वाले न्यायमूर्ति वर्मा पैनल की नियुक्ति से संबंधित मूल फाइल गायब हैं;

(ख) यदि हां, तो क्या सरकार ने उस मूल फाइल के गायब होने के मामले की कोई जांच करायी हैं; यदि नहीं तो इसके क्या कारण हैं; और

(ग) इस संबंध में तथ्यात्कम ब्यौरा क्या हैं?

वाणिज्य मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री पी. चिदम्बरम्) : (क) जी हां। श्री राजीव गांधी हत्या के लिए उत्तरदायी सुरक्षा दोषों की जांच कर रहे न्यायमूर्ति

) वर्मा आयोग के विचारार्थ विषयों से संबंधित फाइल अभी भी गायब हैं।

(ख) तथा (ग) इस फाइल की खोजबीन के लिए अधिकारियों का एक विशेष दल गठित किया गया था। इस दल ने अन्य अधिकारियों तथा स्टाफ की सहायता से प्रधानमंत्री, प्रधानमंत्री निवास और गृह मंत्रालय से जुड़े सभी कार्यालयों में गहन खोजबीन की। विधि मंत्रालय ने भी छानबीन की। किन्तु भरसक प्रयासों के बावजूद वह फाइल नहीं मिल सकी। उसके बाद, विधि मंत्रालय द्वारा उपलब्ध कराए गए कागजात और गृह मंत्रालय में अन्य फाइलों में उपलब्ध प्रतियों के आधार पर उस फाइल के लिए अपेक्षित सारयुक्त कागजात पुनः तैयार किए गए।

सरकार उस फाइल की छानबीन के प्रयास जारी रखेगी।

Donation of Funds to Gandhi families

2111. SHRI TRILOKINATH CHATURVEDI:
DR. MURLIMANOHAR JOSHI:

Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether any funds have been donated by the PSUs/financial institutions under his Ministry to any Foundation or Institution connected with late Indira Gandhi and Rajiv Gandhi during the past three years;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of donations made to any other body /voluntary institutions during the above period?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER):(a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Details of donations made by Coal India Limited and Neyveli Lignite Corporation Limited to other bodies/institutions during the last three years are as under:—

Coal India Ltd. (Company-

(Rs. in Lakhs)

Company	1992-93	1993-94	1994-95
ECL*	10.57*	9.25*	10.40*
BCCL	17.00	4.75	5.21
CCL	2.54	9.95	7.04
WCL	4.44	30.25	3.49
SECL	1.38	18.18	61.35
MCL	NIL	NIL	NIL
CMPDIL	2.10	1.39	1.44
NCL	2.00	1.00	1.00
NEC	NIL	NIL	NIL
DCC	0.09	0.08	0.18
CIL(HQ)	10.52	25.17	41.36

*Includes value of soft coke/raw coal donated by ECL to various institutions.

Neyveli Lignite Corporation Ltd.

(Rs. in Lakhs)

1992-93	1993-94	1994-95
28.44	76.15	27.40

Sectors for Imports/Exports

2112. DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI:
SHRI TRILOKI NATH CHATURVEDI:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 91 and 754 given in the Rajya Sabha on 27th November, 1995 and 4th December, 1995 respectively and state:

(a) the sectors in which exports in the current year have been static or deficient during the years; and